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Local Government Type ☐ City	Local Government Springfield			Cou K a	inty Ilkaska
Audit Date Opinion Date 3/31/04 10/14/04		Date Accountant Report Subm November 3,			
We have audited the financial statements of this accordance with the Statements of the Gover Financial Statements for Counties and Local Unit	nmental Accour	overnment and rendered	d an opinion o	the <i>Uniform</i> ent of <u>Trea</u>	n Reporting Format for isury.
We affirm that:					RECEIVED EPT. OF TREASURY
 We have complied with the Bulletin for the A We are certified public accountants registere 	ed to practice in I	Michigan	-	seu.	NOV 1 2 2004
We further affirm the following. "Yes" responses comments and recommendations	have been disclo	osed in the financial state	ements, includ	ing the pot	es, or in the report of IL AUDIT & FINANCE DIV
You must check the applicable box for each item					
Yes No 1. Certain component units	s/funds/agencies	of the local unit are exc	luded from the	financial s	statements.
Yes No 2. There are accumulated 275 of 1980).	deficits in one	or more of this unit's un	reserved fund	balances/	retained earnings (P.A.
Yes No 3. There are instances of amended).	non-compliance	with the Uniform Acco	ounting and B	udgeting A	.ct (P.A. 2 of 1968, as
Yes No 4. The local unit has violated requirements, or an order				the Munic	ipal Finance Act or its
Yes No 5. The local unit holds dep as amended [MCL 129.9				requireme	ents. (P.A. 20 of 1943,
Yes Vo 6. The local unit has been o	delinquent in dis	tributing tax revenues th	at were collect	ed for anot	her taxing unit.
The local unit has viola ☐ Yes	I costs) in the c	current year. If the plan	is more than 1	100% funde	ed and the overfunding
Yes No 8. The local unit uses cred (MCL 129.241).	dit cards and h	as not adopted an app	licable policy	as required	I by P.A. 266 of 1995
Yes V No 9. The local unit has not ad	opted an investr	ment policy as required b	oy P.A. 196 of	1997 (MC L	. 129.95).
We have enclosed the following:			Enclosed	To B Forwar	
The letter of comments and recommendations.			✓		
Reports on individual federal financial assistance	programs (prog	ram audits).			✓
Single Audit Reports (ASLGU).					✓
Certified Public Accountant (Firm Name) Baird, Cotter & Bishop, P.C.				<u> </u>	
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Accountant Signature	200			Date // - 3	3-04

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June 16, 2004

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Township Board Springfield Township Kalkaska County Fife Lake, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of Springfield Township, Kalkaska County, Fife Lake, Michigan as of and for the year ended March 31, 2004, as listed in the table of contents. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Township. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the Untied States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general-purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note I. B, the Township's policy is to prepare its general-purpose financial statements on the modified cash basis. This practice differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also, the Township has adopted the policy of retaining the General Fund and Municipal Street Fund current tax collections in the Current Tax Collection Fund until after April 1 of each year. Monies are then paid over to the General Fund and recognized as property tax revenue. This procedure of deferring property tax revenue recognition is not in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, the accompanying general-purpose financial statements are not intended to present financial position and results of operations in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the item described in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balances of Springfield Township, Kalkaska County, Fife Lake, Michigan as of March 31, 2004, and the cash receipts it received and cash disbursements it paid in the year then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note I.B.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying financial information listed as "Financial Statements of Individual Funds" and "Other Information" in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the examination of the general-purpose financial statements, and in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

BAIRD, COTTER AND BISHOP, P.C.

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COMBINED STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS

ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS MARCH 31, 2004

		ERNMENTA ENERAL	UND TYPES SPECIAL REVENUE	FUN	UCIARY ID TYPE GENCY]	ACCOUN ENERAL FIXED ASSETS	GE LON	OUPS NERAL IG-TERM DEBT	(ME	TOTAL MORANDUM ONLY)
ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS ASSETS Cash Commercial Accounts Money Market Accounts Certificates of Deposit Taxes Receivable Land Land Improvements Buildings Machinery and Equipment Office Furniture and Equipment	\$	18,815 9,638 117,898 25,580 0 0 0	\$ 116,392 0 0 72,518 0 0 0	\$	14,197 59,270 0 0 0 0 0	\$	0 0 0 7,000 54,235 142,890 15,901 17,787	\$	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	\$	149,404 68,908 117,898 98,098 7,000 54,235 142,890 15,901 17,787
OTHER DEBITS Amount to be Provided for Retirement of General Long-Term Debt	of	0	0		0		0		69,286		69,286
TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	\$	171,931	\$ 188,910	\$	73,467	\$	237,813	\$	69,286	\$	741,407

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

					ACCOUNT GROUPS								
	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES					FIDUCIARY		GENERAL		GENERAL		TOTAL	
		SPECIAL		FUND TYPE		FIXED		LO	NG-TERM	(MEMORANDUM			
	G	ENERAL		REVENUE	Α	GENCY		ASSETS		DEBT		ONLY)	
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY													
<u>LIABILITIES</u>													
Deferred Revenue	\$	25,580	\$	72,518	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	\$	98,098	
Building Contract Payable		0		0		0		0		69,286		69,286	
Total Liabilities	\$	25,580	\$	72,518	\$	0	_\$_	0	\$	69,286	\$	167,384	
EQUITY													
Investment in General Fixed Assets	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	\$	237,813	\$	0	\$	237,813	
Balance													
Reserved for Street Improvements		0		58,061		0		0		0		58,061	
Reserved for Fire Protection		0		53,616		0		0		0		53,616	
Reserved for Parks and Recreation		0		4,715		0		0		0		4,715	
Unreserved		146,351		0		73,467		0		0		219,818	
Total Equity	\$	146,351	\$	116,392	\$	73,467	_\$_	237,813	\$	0	\$	574,023	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$	171,931	\$	188,910	\$	73,467	\$	237,813	\$	69,286	\$	741,407	

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN BALANCE

ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2004

	C	GOVERNMEN	TAL F	UND TYPES	-	TOTALS	
		,		SPECIAL	(MEMORANDUM		
	GENERAL		F	REVENUE	ONLY)		
RECEIPTS				,			
Taxes	\$	33,235	\$	112,276	\$	145,511	
Licenses and Permits		1,200		0		1,200	
State Grants		95,595		0		95,595	
Interest and Rents		1,360		0		1,360	
Other Receipts		6,682		5,310		11,992	
Total Receipts	\$	138,072	\$	117,586	\$	255,658	
DISBURSEMENTS							
Legislative							
Township Board	\$	16,703	\$	0	\$	16,703	
General Government							
Supervisor		6,000		0		6,000	
Election		1,212		0		1,212	
Assessor		14,801		0		14,801	
Budget Administrator		3,200		0		3,200	
Clerk		18,762		0		18,762	
Board of Review		4,075		0		4,075	
Treasurer		18,049		0		18,049	
Building and Grounds		92,788		0		92,788	
Cemetery		4,089		0		4,089	
Public Safety		14,318		22,927		37,245	
Public Works		11,345		0		11,345	
Health and Welfare		281		28,740		29,021	
Recreation and Cultural		12,103		7,617		19,720	
Other Functions		11,593		0		11,593	
Debt Service		11,311		0		11,311	
Total Disbursements	\$	240,630	\$	59,284	\$	299,914	
Excess of Receipts Over							
(Under) Disbursements	\$	(102,558)	\$	58,302	\$	(44,256)	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN BALANCE

ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2004

	G	OVERNMEN	TAL	FUND TYPES	•	TOTALS
	G	ENERAL		SPECIAL REVENUE	(MEN	MORANDUM
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Loan Proceeds		78,551		0		ONLY) 78,551
Excess of Receipts and Other Sources Over (Under) Disbursements and Other Uses	\$	(24,007)	\$	58,302	\$	34,295
BALANCE - Beginning of Year		170,358		58,090		228,448
BALANCE - End of Year	\$	146,351	\$	116,392	\$	262,743

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2004

		GF	NERAL FU	IND		SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TYPES					
	 UDGET	VARIANCE- FAVORABLE ACTUAL (UNFAVORABLE)		E	BUDGET	A	CTUAL	F	ARIANCE- AVORABLE FAVORABLE)		
RECEIPTS Taxes Licenses and Permits State Grants Interest and Rents Other Receipts	\$ 38,310 1,200 92,000 3,200 5,280	\$	33,235 1,200 95,595 1,360 6,682	\$	(5,075) 0 3,595 (1,840) 1,402	\$	109,500 0 0 0 4,650	\$	112,276 0 0 0 5,310	\$	2,776 0 0 0 0 660
Total Receipts	\$ 139,990	\$	138,072	\$	(1,918)	\$	114,150	\$	117,586	\$	3,436
DISBURSEMENTS Legislative Township Board	\$ 17,300	\$	16,703	\$	597	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0
General Government Supervisor Election Assessor	6,000 1,500 15,000		6,000 1,212 14,801		0 288 199 0		0 0 0		0 0 0 0		0 0 0 0
Budget Administrator Clerk Board of Review	3,200 20,000 4,500		3,200 18,762 4,075		1,238 425		0		0		0 0

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

	GENERAL FUND							SPECIAL REVENUE FUND TYPES						
						ARIANCE- AVORABLE						VARIANCE- FAVORABLE		
		BUDGET	1	ACTUAL	(UNI	FAVORABLE)		BUDGET	A	CTUAL	(1	UNFAVORABLE)		
Treasurer		20,500		18,049		2,451		0		0		0		
Building and Grounds		93,000		92,788		212		0		0		0		
Cemetery		5,000		4,089		911		0		0		0		
Public Safety		11,000		14,318		(3,318)		40,000		22,927		17,073		
Public Works		20,800		11,345		9,455		56,911		0		56,911		
Health and Welfare		281		281		0		28,000		28,740		(740)		
Recreation and Cultural		12,600		12,103		497		11,672		7,617		4,055		
Other Functions		12,000		11,593		407		0		0		0		
Debt Service		12,000		11,311		689		0		0		0		
Contingency		17,875		0		17,875		0		0		0		
Total Disbursements	_\$	272,556	\$	240,630	\$	31,926	_\$_	136,583	\$	59,284	\$	77,299		
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	\$	(132,566)	\$	(102,558)	\$	30,008	\$	(22,433)	\$	58,302	\$	80,735		
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES	3)													
Loan Proceeds		78,550		78,551		1		0		0		0		
Excess of Receipts and Other Source Over (Under) Disbursements and	S													
Other Uses	\$	(54,016)	\$	(24,007)	\$	30,009	\$	(22,433)	\$	58,302	\$	80,735		
BALANCE - Beginning of Year		54,016		170,358		116,342		57,433		58,090		657		
BALANCE - End of Year	\$	0	\$	146,351	\$	146,351	\$	35,000	\$	116,392	\$	81,392		

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2004

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting Entity

Springfield Township is a general law township located in Kalkaska County which operates under the direction of an elected township board. Under the criteria established by generally accepted accounting principles, the Township has determined that there are no component units which should be included in its reporting entity.

B. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Basis of Presentation

The accounts of the Township are organized on the basis of funds and account groups. A fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Fund accounting segregates funds according to their intended purpose and is used to aid management in demonstrating compliance with finance-related legal and contractual provisions. The minimum number of funds are maintained consistent with legal and managerial requirements. Account groups are a reporting device to account for certain assets and liabilities of the governmental funds not recorded directly in those funds.

The Township has the following fund types and account groups:

Governmental funds are used to account for the Township's general government activities. The Township uses the flow of economic resources measurement focus and the modified cash basis of accounting for these funds which is an other comprehensive basis of accounting (OCBOA). Under the modified cash basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when collected (i.e., when cash is received). Expenditures are recorded when cash is disbursed.

Governmental funds include the following fund types:

The <u>General Fund</u> is the Township's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The <u>Special Revenue Funds</u> account for revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditure for specific purposes (not including expendable trusts or major capital projects).

<u>Fiduciary funds</u> account for assets held by the Township in a trustee capacity or as an agent on behalf of others.

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The <u>Current Tax Collection Fund</u> is an agency fund and is custodial in nature. It does not present results of operation or have a measurement focus. The agency fund also uses the modified cash basis of accounting. This fund is used to account for property tax collections which the Township makes and distributes for others in an agency capacity.

Account Groups. The General Fixed Asset Account Group is used to account for fixed assets of the Township. The General Long-Term Debt Account Group is used to account for general long-term debt and certain other liabilities that are not specific liabilities of proprietary or trust funds.

C. Assets, Liabilities and Equity

1. Deposits and Investments

In accordance with Public Act 196 of 1999, the Township adopted an investment policy on October 6, 2000. The policy states that the Township treasurer may invest Township funds in certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts, or depository receipts of a bank but only if the bank, savings and loan association, or credit union meets all criteria as a depository of public funds contained in state law.

In addition, the prior approval of the Township Board shall be required for the treasurer to invest in any other lawful investment instruments. The Township Board's standard of prudence shall be the "fiduciary" standard, which shall be applied in context of managing an overall portfolio. The Township Board may authorize the treasurer to invest in the following:

- (a) Bonds, securities, and other obligations of the United States or an agency or instrumentality of the United States.
- (b) Commercial paper rated at the time of purchase within the 2 highest classifications established by not less than 2 standard rating services and that matures not more than 270 days after the date of purchase.
- (c) Repurchase agreements consisting of instruments listed in subdivision (a).
- (d) Bankers' acceptances of United States banks.
- (e) Obligations of this state or any of its political subdivisions that at the time of purchase are rated as investment grade by not less than 1 standard rating service.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2004

- (f) Mutual funds registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, Title 1 of chapter 686, 54 Stat. 789, 15 U.S.C. 80a-1 to 80a-3 and 80a-4 to 80a-64, with authority to purchase only investment vehicles that are legal for direct investment by a public corporation. However, a mutual fund is not disqualified as a permissible investment solely by reason of any of the following:
 - (i) The purchase of securities on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis.
 - (ii) The ability to lend portfolio securities as long as the mutual fund receives collateral at all times equal to at least 100% of the value of the securities loaned.
 - (iii) The limited ability to borrow and pledge a like portion of the portfolio's assets for temporary or emergency purposes.
- (g) Obligations described in subdivisions (a) through (f) if purchased through an Interlocal Agreement under the Urban Cooperation Act of 1967, 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 7, MCL 124.501 to 124.512
- (h) Investment pools organized under the Surplus Funds Investment Pool Act, 1982 PA 367, MCL 129,111 to 129,118
- (i) The investment pools organized under the Local Government Investment Pool Act, 1985 PA 121 MCL 129.141 to 129.150

2. Receivables and Payables

Under the modified cash basis of accounting, the only noncash asset recorded is a receivable for uncollected property taxes. This receivable is entirely offset by a deferred revenue liability account so that income is only recognized when cash is received.

3. Fixed Assets

Fixed assets used in governmental fund types (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group at cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their estimated fair value at the date of donation. Assets in the general fixed assets account group are not depreciated. Interest incurred during construction is not capitalized.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2004

Public domain (infrastructure) general fixed assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks and other assets that are immovable and of value only to the Township) are not capitalized.

The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the assets' lives are not included in the general fixed assets account group.

4. Fund Equity

Reservations of balance represent amounts that are not appropriable or are legally segregated for a specific purpose.

5. Use of Estimates

This presentation of financial statements on the modified cash basis of accounting requires the Township to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of receipts and disbursements during the reported period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

6. Memorandum Only - Total Columns

Total columns on the general purpose financial statements are captioned "Memorandum Only" because they do not represent consolidated financial information and are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. The columns do not present information that reflects financial position, results of operations or cash flows in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

II. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Budgetary Information

The annual budget is adopted on the modified cash basis in accordance with the requirements of Michigan Public Act 621 of 1978 "The Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act". A public hearing is held to obtain taxpayer comments. Appropriations lapse at year end. Budget amounts presented are as originally adopted on March 25, 2003, or as amended by the Township Board from time to time throughout the year.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2004

The appropriated budget is prepared by fund and activity. The Township Board exercises budgetary control over expenditures.

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is not employed by the Township because it is not, at present, considered necessary to assure effective budgetary control or to facilitate effective cash planning and control.

III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS AND ACCOUNT GROUPS

A. Deposits and Investments

A total of \$139,177 of the Township's \$339,177 of total investments and deposits are in accounts which exceed the Federal Depository Insurance and are uncollateralized. The remaining \$200,000 are in separate accounts which are fully insured. At year-end, the carrying amount of the Township's deposits was \$336,210 and the bank balance was \$339,177.

The carrying amount of the Township's deposits and investments at year-end are shown below:

	GENERAL FUND	 UNICIPAL STREET FUND	FIRE FUND	_	ARKS AND ECREATION FUND	 RRENT TAX DLLECTION FUND
Forest Area Credit Union Fife Lake, Michigan						
Commercial Account \$	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$	0	\$ 14,197
Money Market Account	9,638	0	0		0	59,270
Certificates of Deposit	59,502	0	0		0	0
Citizens Bank						
Manton, Michigan						
Commercial Account	18,815	58,061	53,616		4,715	0
Certificates of Deposit	58,396	 0	0		0	 0
\$	146,351	\$ 58,061	\$ 53,616	\$	4,715	\$ 73,467

B. Fixed Assets

Activity in the general fixed assets account group for the Township for the year ended March 31, 2004, was as follows:

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2004

	F	BALANCE 4/1/03	Al	ODITIONS	DELI	ETIONS	E	3/31/04
GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	_			0	Φ.		Φ.	7.000
Land	\$	7,000	\$	0	\$	0	\$	7,000
Land Improvements		46,618		7,617		0		54,235
Buildings		56,046		86,844		0		142,890
Machinery and Equipment		15,901		0		0		15,901
Office Furniture and Equipment	_	17,387		400		0		17,787
	\$	142,952	\$_	94,861	\$	0	\$	237,813

C. Long-Term Debt

The following is a summary of debt transactions of the Township of Springfield for the year ended March 31, 2004:

Debt Payable at April 1, 2003	\$ 0
Debt Incurred	78,551
Debt Retired	 (9,265)
Debt Payable at March 31, 2004	\$ 69,286

Long-term debt at March 31, 2004 is comprised of the following:

Building Contract Payable

\$78,551 payable to Forest Area Credit Union, due in monthly installments of \$1,885 through June 20, 2007, interest at 3.75%

The annual requirements to amortize the debt outstanding as of March 31, 2004, including interest of \$4,428 are as follows:

YEAR ENDING MARCH 31,	 MOUNT
2005	\$ 22,620
2006	22,620
2007	22,620
2008	 5,854
	\$ 73,714

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2004

IV. OTHER INFORMATION

A. Property Taxes

The Township levied 4.7483 mills in tax on a state taxable value of \$30,427,025 on the 2003 tax roll. The 4.7483 mill levy was for the following purposes:

Streets	1.9384
Ambulance Service	1.0000
Fire Protection	.9692
General Operations	.8407
General Operations	4.7483

The date of the levy was 12/1/02 at which time the taxes become an enforceable lien against the property. Taxes are due and payable to the township treasurer on or before February 28. After February 28, the property taxes are payable to the Kalkaska County Treasurer. Property taxes levied December 1 are recognized as income in the year following the year in which they are levied.

The Township has adopted the policy of retaining current tax collections for the General Fund and Municipal Street Fund in the Current Tax Collection Fund until after April 1 of each year. Monies are then paid over to the General Fund and Municipal Street Fund and recognized as property tax revenue.

The Township's General Fund and Municipal Street Fund portion of the 2003 tax roll is recognized as taxes receivable in the General Fund and Municipal Street Fund. The taxes receivable are also recorded as deferred revenue.

B. Current Tax Collection Fund Balance

The balance of \$73,467 in the Current Tax Collection Fund at March 31, 2004, is payable as follows:

Springfield Township Current Property Tax		
General Fund	\$	19,874
Municipal Street Fund		45,832
Property Tax Administration Fees		7,498
Interest Earnings	_	263_
merest Lamings		
	\$	73,467

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2004

C. Property Tax Administration Fee

The Township passed a resolution to charge a 1% administration fee on all ad valorem, taxes levied. The resolution is to continue in force and effect until revoked by the township board.

The Township has determined that authorized costs of tax collections will be repeatedly in excess of the revenues generated by the administration fee so that a restricted earnings account is not reflected in these statements.

D. Aid to Other Governments

The Township makes payments to other governmental units for various public safety and health and welfare services. Some of these payments are financed by extra voted millages and some are financed by Township general operations. For the 2003-2004 fiscal year, these payments were as follows:

Public Safety	
Fire Protection	
Grand Traverse County Fire Department	\$ 21,715
Police Protection	
Kalkaska County Sheriff Department	10,344
Health and Welfare	
Hospital	
Kalkaska Memorial Health Center	281
Ambulance	
Fife Lake Area Emergency Rescue Authority	 28,740
	\$ 61,080

E. Interest Income and Expense

For the year ended March 31, 2004, interest income and expense was as follows:

	INTE	REST	
IN	ICOME	E.	XPENSE
\$	1,360	\$	2,046

Note - Interest income earned in the Current Tax Collection Fund is periodically transferred to the General Fund and is shown as General Fund interest income.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2004

F. Risk Management

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters. The Township participates in a pool of municipalities within the State of Michigan for self-insuring property and casualty, crime, general liability and errors and omissions insurance. The Township pays annual premiums to the pool for the respective insurance coverage. In the event the pool's total claims and expenses for a policy year exceed the total normal annual premiums for said years, all members of the specific pool's policy year may be subject to special assessments to make up the deficiency. The Township has not been informed of any special assessments being required for the current year or prior three years.

The Township continued to carry insurance for other risks of loss, including workers compensation insurance and fidelity bonds.

GENERAL FUND

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS MARCH 31,

	 2004	2003	
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash			
Commercial Account	\$ 18,815	\$ 33,760	
Money Market Account	9,638	425	
Certificates of Deposit	117,898	136,173	
Taxes Receivable	 25,580	 24,398	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 171,931	\$ 194,756	
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
LIABILITIES			
Deferred Revenue	\$ 25,580	\$ 24,398	
EQUITY			
Balance			
Unreserved	 146,351	 170,358	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 171,931	\$ 194,756	

GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2004 WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2003

		2004					
	B	UDGET	A	CTUAL	A	CTUAL	
RECEIPTS Taxes	\$	38,310	\$	33,235	\$	30,951	
Licenses and Permits		1,200		1,200		1,950	
State Grants		92,000		95,595		99,627	
Interest and Rents		3,200		1,360		4,577	
Other Receipts		5,280		6,682		802	
Total Receipts	_\$_	139,990	\$	138,072		137,907	
<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>							
Legislative	•	17 200	ø	16 702	\$	15,926	
Township Board	\$	17,300	\$	16,703	Ф	13,920	
General Government		<i>c</i> 000		6,000		6,144	
Supervisor		6,000		1,212		6,831	
Election		1,500		1,212		16,231	
Assessor		15,000		3,200		3,200	
Budget Administrator		3,200		,		18,782	
Clerk		20,000		18,762		3,822	
Board of Review		4,500		4,075		13,042	
Treasurer		20,500		18,049		15,482	
Building and Grounds		93,000		92,788		3,967	
Cemetery		5,000		4,089		12,316	
Public Safety		11,000		14,318		7,426	
Public Works		20,800		11,345		•	
Health and Welfare		281		281		2,293	
Recreation and Cultural		12,600		12,103		11,590	
Other Functions		12,000		11,593		10,319	
Debt Service		12,000		11,311		0	
Contingency		17,875		0		0	
Total Disbursements	\$	272,556	\$	240,630	_\$_	147,371	

GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2004 WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2003

	2004					2003	
	В	UDGET	ACTUAL		A	CTUAL	
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements		(132,566)	\$	(102,558)		(9,464)	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Loan Proceeds Operating Transfers Out	\$	78,550 0	\$	78,551 0	\$	0 (5,000)	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		78,550	\$	78,551		(5,000)	
Excess of Receipts and Other Sources Over (Under) Disbursements and Other Uses	\$	(54,016)	\$	(24,007)	\$	(14,464)	
BALANCE - Beginning of Year		54,016		170,358		184,822	
BALANCE - End of Year	\$	0	\$	146,351	\$_	170,358	

GENERAL FUND

ANALYSIS OF CASH RECEIPTS YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2004

TAXES Current Property Tax - 2002 Tax Roll Delinquent Property Tax and Interest Property Tax Administration Fee Commercial Forest Swamp Tax	\$ 19,915 4,575 7,965 10 770	
Total Taxes		\$ 33,235
LICENSES AND PERMITS Non-Business Licenses and Permits		1,200
STATE GRANTS State Revenue Sharing Sales and Use Tax Summer Tax Collection	\$ 92,052 3,543	
Total State Grants		95,595
INTEREST AND RENTS Interest Earnings		1,360
OTHER RECEIPTS Refunds and Reimbursements Miscellaneous	\$ 1,212 5,470	
Total Other Receipts		 6,682
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$ 138,072
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES Loan Proceeds		 78,551
TOTAL RECEIPTS AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		\$ 216,623

GENERAL FUND

LEGISLATIVE			
Township Board			
Personal Services			
Salaries and Wages		\$ 9,422	
Supplies			
Office Supplies		390	
Other Services and Charges			
Professional Services		5,417	
Printing and Publishing		718	
Dues and Fees		 756	
Total Legislative			\$ 16,703
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Supervisor			
Personal Services			
Salaries and Wages		\$ 6,000	
Elections			
Personal Services			
Salaries and Wages	\$ 650		
Supplies			
Office Supplies	36		
Other Services and Charges			
Printing and Publishing	 526	1,212	
Assessor			
Personal Services			
Salaries and Wages	\$ 3,455		
Supplies			
Office Supplies	661		
Postage	555		
Other Services and Charges			
Contracted Services	9,870		
Printing and Publishing	 260	14,801	
Budget Department			
Personal Services			
Salaries and Wages		3,200	
Clerk			
Personal Services			
Salaries and Wages	\$ 9,800		

GENERAL FUND

Per Diem		2,111	
Deputy		1,433	
Health Insurance		4,764	
Supplies			
Office Supplies		349	
Other Services and Charges			
Contracted Services		305	18,762
Board of Review			
Personal Services			
Salaries and Wages	\$	3,592	
Other Services and Charges			
Education and Training		170	
Printing and Publishing		240	
Miscellaneous		73	4,075
Treasurer			
Personal Services			
Salaries and Wages	\$	9,800	
Deputy		4,200	
Supplies			
Office Supplies		502	
Postage		2,337	
Other Services and Charges			
Printing and Publishing		1,210_	18,049
Building and Grounds			
Personal Services			
Salaries and Wages	\$	1,200	
Supplies			
Operating Supplies		442	
Other Services and Charges			
Contracted Services		322	
Communication		1,513	
Public Utilities		2,000	
Repairs and Maintenance		577	
Snow Removal		90	
Capital Outlay	***	86,644	92,788
Cemetery			
Personal Services			
Salaries and Wages	\$	3,432	

STATEMENT 4

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP, KALKASKA COUNTY FIFE LAKE, MICHIGAN

GENERAL FUND

State Unemployment		243		
Supplies				
Operating Supplies		64		
Other Services and Charges				
Miscellaneous		350	 4,089	
Total General Government				162,976
PUBLIC SAFETY				
Police Protection				
Other Services and Charges				
Aid to Other Governments			\$ 10,344	
Fire Protection				
Personal Services				
Per Diem			 3,974	
Total Public Safety				14,318
PUBLIC WORKS				
Highways, Streets and Bridges				
Personal Services				
Salaries	\$	1,630		
Other Services and Charges				
Printing and Publishing		408	\$ 2,038	
Refuse Collection and Disposal				
Contracted Services			 9,307	
Total Public Works				11,345
HEALTH AND WELFARE				
Hospital				
Other Services and Charges				
Aid to Other Governments				281
RECREATION AND CULTURAL				
Parks and Recreation				
Personal Services				
Salaries and Wages	\$	1,300		
Per Diem		364		

STATEMENT 4

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP, KALKASKA COUNTY FIFE LAKE, MICHIGAN

GENERAL FUND

Supplies				
Office Supplies	3,543			
Other Services and Charges				
Repairs and Maintenance	288			
Transportation and Expense	470			
Public Utilities	517			
Contracted Services	2,770			
Capital Outlay	 300		9,552	
Library				
Other Services and Charges				
Aid to Other Governments			1,600	
Other Recreation and Cultural				
Other Services and Charges				
Aid to Other Governments				
Historical Society	\$ 500			
Miscellaneous	 451		951	
Total Recreation and Cultural				12,103
OTHER FUNCTIONS				
Insurance and Bonds		\$	3,942	
Interest Expense			2,046	
Employee Benefits				
Medicare and Social Security			4,855	
Workers' Compensation			750	
Total Other Functions				11,593
DEBT SERVICE				
Principal Repayment		\$	9,265	
Interest Charges		•	2,046	
Total Debt Service				 11,311
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS				\$ 240,630

STATEMENT 5

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP, KALKASKA COUNTY FIFE LAKE, MICHIGAN

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS COMBINING STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS

MARCH 31, 2004

	MUNICIPAL STREET		FIRE		PARKS AND RECREATION		AMBULANCE		OTALS
ASSETS Cash Commercial Account Taxes Receivable	\$	58,061 59,072	\$ 53,616 6,618	\$	4,715 0	\$	0 6,828	\$	116,392 72,518
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	117,133	\$ 60,234	\$	4,715	\$	6,828		188,910
LIABILITIES AND BALANCE									
LIABILITIES Deferred Revenue		59,072	 6,618	\$	0	\$	6,828	_\$_	72,518
BALANCE Reserved for Street Improvements Reserved for Fire Protection Reserved for Parks and Recreation	\$	58,061 0 0	\$ 0 53,616 0	\$	0 0 4,715	\$	0 0 0	\$	58,061 53,616 4,715
Total Balance	\$	58,061	\$ 53,616	\$	4,715	\$	0	_\$_	116,392
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND BALANCE	_\$_	117,133	\$ 60,234	\$	4,715	\$	6,828		188,910

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN BALANCES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2004

		MUNICIPAL STREET		FIRE	PARKS AND RECREATION		AMBULANCE		TOTALS	
RECEIPTS Taxes Other Receipts	\$	56,150 0	\$	27,386 0	\$	0 5,310	\$	28,740 0	\$	112,276 5,310
Total Receipts	_\$	56,150	\$	27,386	\$	5,310	\$	28,740		117,586
DISBURSEMENTS Public Safety Recreation and Cultural Health and Welfare	\$	0 0 0	\$	22,927 0 0	\$	0 7,617 0	\$	0 0 28,740	\$	22,927 7,617 28,740
Total Disbursements	_\$_	0	\$	22,927	\$	7,617	\$	28,740		59,284
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	\$	56,150	\$	4,459	\$	(2,307)	\$	0	\$	58,302
BALANCE - Beginning of Year	4	1,911		49,157		7,022		0		58,090
BALANCE - End of Year	\$	58,061	\$	53,616	\$	4,715	\$	0		116,392

MUNICIPAL STREET FUND

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS MARCH 31,

		2004		2003
ASSETS				
Cash Commercial Account Taxes Receivable	\$	58,061 59,072	\$	1,911 56,269
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	117,133	\$	58,180
LIABILITIES AND BALANCE LIABILITIES Deferred Revenue	\$	59,072	\$	56,269
BALANCE Reserved for Street Improvements		58,061		1,911
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND BALANCE	\$	117,133	\$	58,180

MUNICIPAL STREET FUND STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2004

WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2003

	2004					2003		
	BUDGET		ACTUAL		_AC	CTUAL_		
RECEIPTS Taxes Current Property Tax - 2002 Tax Roll Delinquent Property Tax	\$	55,000	\$	45,929 10,221	\$	42,884 9,027		
Total Receipts	\$	55,000	\$	56,150	\$	51,911		
DISBURSEMENTS Public Works Highways, Streets and Bridges								
Other Services and Charges Repairs and Maintenance		56,911		0		50,000		
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	\$	(1,911)	\$	56,150	\$	1,911		
BALANCE - Beginning of Year		1,911		1,911		0		
BALANCE - End of Year	\$	0	\$	58,061		1,911		

FIRE FUND

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS MARCH 31,

ASSETS		2004		2003
Cash Commercial Account Taxes Receivable	\$	53,616 6,618	\$	49,157 5,170
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	60,234	\$	54,327
LIABILITIES AND BALANCE LIABILITIES Deferred Revenue	\$	6,618	\$	5,170
BALANCE Reserved for Fire Protection		53,616		49,157
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND BALANCE	_\$	60,234	\$	54,327

FIRE FUND STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2004 WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2003

	2004					2003		
	BI	UDGET	A	CTUAL	A	CTUAL		
RECEIPTS								
Taxes								
Current Property Taxes	\$	22,000	\$	22,920	\$	22,960		
Delinquent Property Taxes		4,500		4,466		4,513		
Total Receipts	_\$_	26,500	\$	27,386		27,473		
<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>								
Public Safety								
Aid to Other Government								
Grand Traverse County Fire Department								
Rural Division	\$	35,000	\$	21,715	\$	19,381		
Fife Lake Fire Department		0		0		5,000		
Other Services and Charges								
Election Expense		5,000		1,212		0		
Total Disbursements	_\$_	40,000	\$	22,927		24,381		
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	\$	(13,500)	\$	4,459	\$	3,092		
BALANCE - Beginning of Year		48,500		49,157		46,065		
BALANCE - End of Year		35,000	\$	53,616		49,157		

PARKS AND RECREATION FUND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS

MARCH 31,

ASSETS	 2004		
Cash Commercial Accounts	\$ 4,715	\$	7,022
LIABILITIES AND BALANCE Liabilities	\$ 0	\$	0
BALANCE Reserved for Parks and Recreation	 4,715		7,022
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND BALANCE	\$ 4.715	\$	7 022

PARKS AND RECREATION FUND

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2004

WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2003

	2004			2003		
	BU	JDGET	A	CTUAL	A	CTUAL
<u>RECEIPTS</u>						
State Grants						
Michigan ORV Grant	\$	0	\$	0	\$	15,330
Other Receipts						
Donations from Private Sources		4,650		5,310		14,361
Total Receipts	\$	4,650	\$	5,310	\$	29,691
DISBURSEMENTS						
Recreation and Cultural						
Parks and Recreation						
Capital Outlay						
Deck, Walkway, Pavilion and Recreation Area	\$	11,672	\$	7,617	\$	27,720
ORV Damage		0		0		14,423
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Total Disbursements	\$	11,672	\$	7,617	\$	42,143
Excess of Receipts Over						
(Under) Disbursements	\$	(7,022)	\$	(2,307)	\$	(12,452)
(Older) Disodisements	Ф	(7,022)	Ф	(2,307)	Ф	(12,432)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES						
Operating Transfers In						
General Fund		0		0		5,000
•						-,000
Excess of Receipts and Other Sources						
Over (Under) Disbursements	\$	(7,022)	\$	(2,307)	\$	(7,452)
BALANCE - Beginning of Year		7,022		7,022		14,474
BALANCE - End of Year	\$	0	\$	4,715	_\$	7,022

AMBULANCE FUND

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS MARCH 31.

	ASSETS	2004			2003		
-	Taxes Receivable	\$	6,828	\$	5,170		
•	LIABILITIES AND BALANCE LIABILITIES			-			
	Deferred Revenue	\$	6,828	\$	5,170		
•	BALANCE						
	Reserved for Ambulance Protection		0		0		
,	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND BALANCE	\$	6,828	\$	5,170		

AMBULANCE FUND

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2004 WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2003

	2004 BUDGET ACTUAL			2003 ACTUAL		
RECEIPTS Taxes	<u> </u>				•	22.060
Current Property Taxes Delinquent Property Taxes	\$	28,000 0	\$	23,639 5,101	\$	22,960 2,256
Total Receipts	\$	28,000	\$	28,740	\$	25,216
DISBURSEMENTS Health and Welfare						
Ambulance Other Services and Charges						
Aid to Other Government Fife Lake Area Emergency Rescue Authority		28,000		28,740		25,216
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0
BALANCE - Beginning of Year		0		0		0
BALANCE - End of Year	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0

CURRENT TAX COLLECTION FUND

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS MARCH 31, 2004

_	ASSETS		
_	Cash on Deposit Commercial Account Money Market Account	\$	14,197 59,270
_	TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$</u>	73,467
	Balance Unreserved (See Note IV.B)		73,467

CURRENT TAX COLLECTION FUND

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN BALANCE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2004

RECEIPTS Current Tax Collections Property Tax Administration Fee Interest Earnings Overcollections from Taxpayers		\$ 703,760 6,943 685 4,124		
Total Receipts		.,,	\$	715 510
Total Receipts			Ф	715,512
DISBURSEMENTS				
Payments to County Treasurer				
Current Tax				
County	\$ 152,852			
State Education Tax	134,070			
Late Payment Penalty	 292	\$ 287,214		
Payments to Kalkaska Public Transit	 			
Current Tax		5,824		
Payments to Kalkaska Memorial Hospital				
Current Tax		40,217		
Payments to Township Treasurer				
Current Tax				
2002 Tax Roll				
Operating	\$ 19,915			
Streets	45,929			
2003 Tax Roll				
Fire	22,920			
Ambulance	23,639			
Property Tax Administration Fee	 6,542	118,945		
Payments to School Treasurer				
Current Tax				
Forest Area Community Schools	\$ 176,191			
Kalkaska Public Schools	 11,677	187,868		

CURRENT TAX COLLECTION FUND

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN BALANCE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2004

	Payments to Intermediate School Treasurer Traverse Bay Area			
-	Current Tax Refunds to Taxpayers for Overcollections Bank Charges	70,664 4,696 58		715,486
_	Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements		\$	26
_	BALANCE - Beginning of Year			73,441
	BALANCE - End of Year		_\$_	73,467

GENERAL FIXED ASSETS GROUP OF ACCOUNTS

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2004

	 LANCE /1/2003	AD	DITIONS	DELE	ΓΙΟΝS	31/2004
GENERAL FIXED ASSETS Land Land Improvements Buildings Machinery and Equipment Office Furniture and Equipment	\$ 7,000 46,618 56,046 15,901 17,387	\$	0 7,617 86,844 0 400	\$	0 0 0 0	\$ 7,000 54,235 142,890 15,901 17,787
	\$ 142,952	\$	94,861	\$	0	\$ 237,813
INVESTMENT IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	\$ 142,952	\$	94,861	\$	00	\$ 237,813

STATEMENT 18

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP, KALKASKA COUNTY FIFE LAKE, MICHIGAN

GENERAL LONG TERM DEBT GROUP OF ACCOUNTS

STATEMENT OF LONG-TERM DEBT YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2004

AMOUNT TO BE PROVIDED FOR FOR PAYMENT OF LONG-TERM DEBT

Amount to be Provided from General Fund Receipts

69,286

LONG-TERM DEBT PAYABLE

Building Contract Payable

\$ 69,286

STATEMENT OF 2003 WINTER TAX ROLL MARCH 31, 2004

TANKS ASSESSED			
TAXES ASSESSED			
County			
Operating	\$ 19	06,739	
Kalkaska Public Transit		7,496	
Kalkaska Memorial Hospital	5	1,732	
Fife Lake Sewer Authority		179	
Township			
Operating	2	5,580	
Streets		8,992	
Fire		9,498	
Ambulance		0,427	
Schools	3	0,127	
Forest Area Community Schools	21	2,156	
Intermediate School	21	2,130	
Traverse Bay Area	8	5,347 \$	698,146
TAXES COLLECTED			
County			
Operating	\$ 153	2,852	
Kalkaska Public Transit		2,832 5,824	
Kalkaska Memorial Hospital		•	
Fife Lake Sewer Authority	4(0,217	
Township		0	
Operating	10	0,874	
Streets		5,832	
Fire		2,920	
Ambulance		,639	
Schools	2.	,039	
Forest Area Community Schools	174	,191	
Intermediate School	170	,171	
Traverse Bay Area		,465	555,814

6,788

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP, KALKASKA COUNTY FIFE LAKE, MICHIGAN

STATEMENT OF 2003 WINTER TAX ROLL MARCH 31, 2004

County 43,887 \$ Operating 1,672 Kalkaska Public Transit 11,515 Kalkaska Memorial Hospital 179 Fife Lake Sewer Authority Township 5,706 Operating 13,160 Streets 6,578 Fire

Ambulance

Schools

Forest Area Community Schools

35,965

Forest Area Community Schools
Intermediate School
35,965

TAXES RETURNED DELINQUENT

Traverse Bay Area 16,882 \$ 142,332

STATEMENT OF 2003 SUMMER TAX ROLL MARCH 31, 2004

TAXES ASSESSED			
County			
State Education Tax	\$	152,072	
Schools	•	152,072	
Kalkaska Public Schools		13,309	
Intermediate School		15,507	
Traverse Bay Area		2,445	\$ 167,826
TAXES COLLECTED			
County			
State Education Tax	\$	134,070	
Schools	Ψ	154,070	
Kalkaska Public Schools		11,677	
Intermediate School		11,077	
Traverse Bay Area		2,199	 147,946
TAXES RETURNED DELINQUENT			
County			
State Education Tax	\$	18,002	
Schools	Ψ	10,002	
Kalkaska Public Schools		1,632	
Intermediate School		1,032	
Traverse Bay Area		246	\$ 19,880

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LETTER OF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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To the Township Board Springfield Township Kalkaska County Fife Lake, Michigan

As a result of our audit of the general-purpose financial statements of Springfield Township for the year ended March 31, 2004, we would like to take this opportunity to comment on the following items relative to the management and accounting procedures of the Township.

GASB 34

The Government Accounting Standards Board has issued a new pronouncement that will dramatically change the way governmental entities report their financial information. For Springfield Township, GASB 34 will become effective for the year ending March 31, 2005.

Some of the changes required by GASB 34 are as follows:

- a) Management's discussion and analysis will be the first thing in a financial report. This will be the administration's narrative overview of the information contained in the financial statements.
- b) The budgetary comparison information must report the original adopted budget and the final amended budget.
- c) Capital assets and long-term liabilities will be required to be reported in the balance sheet. The depreciation on the capital assets will then be reported as an expense in the statement of revenues and expenses. With this change, the financial statements of a government entity will look similar to a for-profit business financial statements.

We are available to advise you and offer assistance on how to proceed with steps needed to meet GASB 34 requirements.

Budgeting

Total cash disbursements in the Ambulance Fund exceeded the budget. Budgeted expenditures should always be amended to cover any excess over budget.

Tax Collection Fund Balance

As of March 31, 2004, a balance consisting of current tax collections, property tax administration fees and interest earnings remained in the Current Tax Collection Fund. To be in compliance with Michigan Committee on Governmental Accounting and Auditing Statement No. 3, we recommend that the Township consider transferring any balance remaining in the Current Tax Collection Fund to the General Fund prior to the end of the fiscal year.

General Recordkeeping

The accounting records for the year ended March 31, 2004, were found to be in good order and in compliance with the State's uniform accounting system. We compliment the clerk and treasurer for a job well done.

Reportable Condition in Internal Controls

In planning and performing our audit of the general-purpose financial statements of Springfield Township for the year ended March 31, 2004, we considered its internal control structure in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general-purpose financial statements.

Certain matters considered to be reportable conditions in internal control were noted. We have included a separate letter (letter of reportable conditions) which addresses those items noted.

We would like to thank the Board for its continued confidence in our firm and to thank the Township clerk and treasurer for their cooperation.

If you have any questions relative to the above comments and recommendations or other areas of your annual accounting, please feel free to call on us.

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LETTER OF REPORTABLE CONDITIONS

To the Township Board Springfield Township Kalkaska County Fife Lake, Michigan

In planning and performing our audit of the general-purpose financial statements of Springfield Township, Kalkaska County, Fife Lake, Michigan for the year ended March 31, 2004, we considered its internal control structure in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general-purpose financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure. However, we noted certain matters that we consider to be reportable conditions under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the organization's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the general-purpose financial statements.

The relatively small number of people involved in the accounting functions of the Township and the design of the accounting system as developed by the state make it difficult to adequately segregate duties. Segregation of accounting duties is a fundamental method of strengthening internal control. However, in deciding what internal control procedures should be implemented, the Board must consider the costs of implementing them and weigh those costs against the benefits to be derived from their implementation.

A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material to the general-purpose financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above. However, we believe that the condition described above is a material weakness.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board and others within the organization. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of the report, which is a matter of public record.

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